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Title: PROCESS FOR OXIDIZING UNFRACTIONATED HEPARINS AND  
DETECTING PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF GLYCOSERINE IN  
HEPARIN AND HEPARIN PRODUCTS  
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 62 pages, including 16 independent claims and 70 claims total.
2. Drawings- 3 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-3).
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|   | Number of Claims |   | Basic | Extra Claims |        |             |
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PROCESS FOR OXIDIZING UNFRACTIONATED HEPARINS AND DETECTING  
PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF GLYCOSERINE IN HEPARIN AND HEPARIN  
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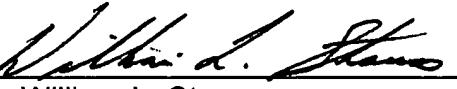
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